

# Lift-out on Greek tour inside



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No cup  
change  
despite  
vote

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On the surface, FIFA's decision to allow up to 24 teams to contest future World Cup final tournaments, is a welcome one for Australia.

To make up the increased numbers, extra representation would probably be given to Asia and Africa — the two confederations that pushed for the change. It would give Australia a better chance to qualify.

However, the FIFA decision was worded in such a way that there is no firm commitment to more than 16 teams.

The decision, on a proposal by the executive committee, was that 16, 20 or 24 teams could take part in future finals tournaments.

The previous rule set the entry at 16 or 20 teams. Just as no tournament so far has used 20 teams, so it is highly unlikely that future tournaments will use 24 — or 20 for that matter.

Clearly, the decision was made only as a token gesture to Asia and Africa.

Before the FIFA Congress, European and South American nations said that if a decision was taken to increase the number of finalists, Europe and South America may break away and run their own world cup.

Yet at the congress, the vote in favor of the motion was 96 to four — hardly a reflection of militant unrest. Politically, it was a clever proposal — and the Europeans and South Americans recognised it as such.

So it's Round One to the big powers . . . but it's unlikely that Africa and Asia are down for the count. They will keep fighting for greater representation, despite sound arguments against it.

A larger number of finalists would make the World Cup longer, more expensive and more exhausting for the participating teams.

FIFA president Jose Havelange, re-elected unopposed at the Congress, said last week only seven countries in the world had the facilities to stage a final tournament for 24 countries — Brazil, Italy, France, West Germany, England, Sweden, Italy and Spain.

Spain will stage the 1982 tournament but is thought not to favor 24 teams.

Meanwhile, Australia remains out on its own after FIFA's decision not to expel Taiwan for the time being.

The ASF had been willing to make moves to rejoin Oceania but this is not possible as long as Taiwan remains a

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# GREEK STARS HERE SUNDAY



White-clad youths spell out Mundial (World Cup) and FIFA at the World Cup opening ceremony in the River Plate stadium.

## Can Sweden, Austria hold out Brazil?



Poland's Jerzy Gorgan (left) and West Germany's Klaus Fischer in a heading duel during the opening match.

**Argentina, Italy, Austria, Holland and Peru** looked likely to qualify for the second round of the World Cup after matches at the weekend.

Austria, which beat Spain 2-1 and Peru, which thrashed Scotland 3-1, showed unexpected strength and talent and may yet be joined by other "dark horses".

Of the traditional giants, Brazil is in the most trouble.

The Brazilians had not expected much opposition from Austria, Sweden and Spain in Group Three, so there were cries of protest from fans after the 1-1 draw with Sweden.

Spanish coach **Ledislao Kubelik** was disgusted by most of his players' attitude against Austria and will make sure they are not repeated in the game against Brazil tomorrow (our time).

If Spain manages to hold out for a draw, or even snatch a narrow victory, Brazil will almost certainly drop out of the Cup.

Austria beats Sweden tomorrow, its passage into the second round will be assured. Similarly, Sweden would almost certainly be put through by beating Austria.

The losers get their second

Remaining first round matches:

Thursday (our time): Group

Three: Austria v Sweden, Brazil v Spain.

Group Four: Scotland v Iran, Holland v Peru.

Sunday: Group One: Italy v Argentina, France v Hungary.

Group Two: Mexico v Poland, Tunisia v West Germany.

Monday: Group Three: Sweden v Spain, Brazil v Austria.

Group Four: Peru v Iran, Scotland v Holland.

First-round games on ABC-TV: Tuesday (Wednesday): Peru v Scotland, highlights 8 pm, full match 10 pm.

Saturday: Italy v Hungary, highlights 8 pm.

Wednesday: France v Brazil, 5 pm and 10.05 pm.

Wednesday, June 14: Italy v Argentina, 6 pm and 10.25 pm.

Thursday, June 15: Holland v Scotland, 5 pm and 10.10 pm.

chance next Monday (our time), when Sweden meets Spain and Austria tackles Brazil.

Swedish manager **George Erikson** has predicted that Austria and Sweden will qualify from Group Three — which would be one of the biggest turn-ups in World Cup history.

Scotland's loss has almost certainly put it out of the Cup. Even former star **Denis Law** has admitted it.

Having beaten Scotland, Peru is almost certain to beat

Iran on Monday, giving it four points. Holland, having beaten Iran 3-0, should beat either Peru or Scotland (more likely both) to become the other qualifier.

Although Tunisia headed Group Four in the opening game, Poland and West Germany remain the likely qualifiers there.

Poland meets Mexico and Germany meets Tunisia on Sunday.

Hungary's hopes were dented by the send-off of Nyilasi and Torocskai in the 1-2 loss to Argentina.

Italy showed real class in beating France 2-1, so Italy and Argentina should qualify.

As had been expected, this World Cup is shaping up as one of upsets.

No European team has won a World Cup in South America, but with Brazil showing ordinary form and Argentina's real ability still questionable, this might be the year for a European breakthrough.

On current form, Italy and Holland are the Europeans with the best chance.

**Koudas, Mavros  
in three —  
match series**

Greece will play the first of three games against Australia at Olympic Park, Melbourne, on Sunday.

The match marks the start of Australia's preparation for the 1981 World Cup qualifying games.

Coach **Jim Shoulder** has listed a total of 15 uncapped players for the three-match series against Greece.

It will be his last series as national coach. The Australian Soccer Federation hopes to appoint a new man by late August.

An unnamed sponsor has offered \$200,000 over five years to help meet the cost of a new coach of international status.

Meanwhile, Shoulder hopes that at least a few new Socceroos will emerge from the Greek series.

The only full international match will be in Adelaide next Wednesday night.

Sunday's game at Olympic Park, and the third match, at the Sydney Cricket Ground on Sunday, June 18, will not be recorded as full internationals.

Greek coach **Aliketas Panagoulas** has named a squad of 18 for the Australian tour.

The squad, which appears on page nine, includes big names **Mavros, Koudas, Firoz, Capsis and Christidis** but missing are ageing superstar **Papalouannou and Domizos**.

"We are not bringing the old players because our future lies with youth," Panagoulas said.

"We are coming to Australia to play good soccer, to win and to please the large Greek community there."

**Cup to AEK**

ATHENS — AEK Athens

won the Greek Cup when it

beat PAOK Salonica 2-0.

Half-time: 0-0.

Scores: Bajevic (54th

minute), and Mavros (81).

Attendance: 35,000.

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The idea is to organise at one of the best sporting arenas in Melbourne a game between selected teams of football and soccer, playing soccer the first 45 minutes and football in the second half.

Proceeds from the first-ever mixed match should go to a charity organisation. The idea was welcomed by officials of both football codes with great interest and it won't be any problem to find

# GERMANS HOPELESS!

On the form it showed in the opening match of the 1978 World Cup, West Germany has virtually no chance of retaining the trophy.

Poland should have beaten the Germans instead of having to settle for a scoreless draw, but despite its superiority in this match, I don't think Poland will get as far as it did in 1974.

Of course the opening match is often misleading.

In 1974, Germany was unimpressive in beating Chile by only 1-0, but it thought it later lost 0-1 to East Germany. It is not to play improved from match to match and individual effort increased.

But in 1974 Germany had better players. I can see no evidence to suggest that Bremers, Seewald, Hoeness, Gerd Mueller, Oettl, or Breitner have been replaced by men of equal ability.

The Germans' defense was atrocious against Poland, but it was only bad shooting and hesitancy in attack that prevented Poland from taking advantage of Germany's many blunders.

Leading culprits were left back Zimme and center half Seewald, more often than not I could count, and sweeper Kaltz who made countless mistakes and whose long kicks out of defense rarely, if ever, found the upfield.

Berti Vogts was also beaten in the first half, but at least he lifted his game after the interval. Rudi Ruessmann was adequate as stopper.

Hans Mueller, 20, had quite a good first half, but was woeful later in the game, striking Klaus Fischer was nowhere and Erich Seewald saw very little of the ball.

Only midfielder Heinz Flick, and goalkeeper Sepp Maier could be said to have had good games, while Rainer Bonhof and Ruediger Abramczik tried hard without proving their best form.

Star of the game was Poland's midfield general Leszek Pajor, and in Adam Nawalka the Poles have found a world-class defender who is also a playmaker and potential goalscorer.

The entire Polish defense — Georges Symonowicz, Nawalka and the gifted right back Maculewicz — were allowed to build up the game from the rear

because the Germans did not challenge them.

Fischer should at least have chosen Gorgon. God, he did little else.

In fairness, though, Germany's ultra-cautious approach left Fischer with no support and rarely allowed him to get the ball in the first place.

Grzegorz Lato was active but lacking in sharpness. In 1974 he would have scored from one of the chances he had in this game.

Lubelski in the middle played some nice one-twos and had the ball off but lacked the power to break through. Andrzej Szarmach worked hard and challenged well and if anyone was unlucky not to score, it was him.

The midfield was dominated completely by Deyna, leaving little opportunity for Zmuda and Mazzatorta to show their stuff but both were adequate.

Poland played with the same ambition and attacking spirit as in 1974 but the effects of age were evident.

Germany had no resemblance to the classic team of 1974. Major goalscoring chances were:

3rd minute: Bonhof barges through the right wing and shoots to Mueller, who lays it on to Fischer at the edge of the Polish defense but Fischer misfires.

15th: Slack marking by Zimmerman gives Lubelski a gratis shot inside the penalty area, but it misses.

20th: Szarmach beats Vogts and blasts the ball over the bar as Poland becomes stronger and stronger.

27th: Deyna gets a lot of room inside the penalty area but his low shot goes wide.

33rd: Zimmerman is forced to make a desperation dive to take the ball from the feet of Szarmach inside the penalty area.

44th: The whole German

defence expects Deyna to cross his free kick from the left but instead, Deyna fires fiercely at goal, forcing Maier to make the best save of the game.

51st: A great shot by Bonhof, aided by a deflection of Gorgon, whistles towards goal but Tomaszewski, who has had less to do than anyone, tips it over the bar.

58th: Szarmach plays a one-two with Lubelski but shoots wide.

59th: Nawalka plays a short cross but Maier flies off his line to hold it confidently.

60th: Lubelski cuts the ball back to Deyna whose strong shot is blocked by a block brilliantly by Maier's diving legs.

51st: Deyna's free kick angles past the German wall. Szarmach, unmarked again, dashes towards the ball as it approaches the far post and just fails to make contact.

70th: Beer runs through, plays it to Fischer and keeps running to get the return ball but instead, Fischer shoots wildly over the bar.

Team with ratings:

**WEST GERMANY:** Maier 8;

Vogts 6, Kaltz 8, Ruessmann 7,

Zimmermann 6; Bonhof 7, Flöhe 8,

Büttner 8, Mueller 6; Abramczik 6, Fischer 5.

**POLAND:** Tomaszewski 6;

Maculewicz 8, Gorgon 8, Nawalka

9, Symonowicz 7; Zmuda 7, Deyna

9, Szarmach 8, Kasperczak (6th min); Lato 7; Lubelski 7 (70th), Szarmach 8.



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# ITALIANS FIGHT BACK WITH CLASS

**MAR DEL PLATA — Michel Hidalgo, manager of the French team beaten 1-2 by Italy, paid tribute to the fighting qualities of the Italians.**

Italy conceded a goal after 30 seconds but fought back to victory.

Hidalgo said France had shown defensive weakness and added: "I congratulate the Italians for having the quality to exploit this weakness. This has been a big disappointment for us but we have still 180 minutes left to fight back."

He was referring to France's two remaining matches in Group One against Argentina and Hungary.

Hidalgo added that Argentina had a good chance of emerging as group leaders and "Italy could be second because of their quality and technique."

Italian manager Enzo Bearzot complimented the French on their "incredible" goal.

But the Italians had the moral courage to fight back after that killing start," he said.

Italy built up the pressure with Romeo Benetti feeding the forward line with delicate passes.

But France always looked more dangerous, especially on the right wing where Henri Michel was in dazzling form.

The Italian goal came when Rossi slammed the ball into the French net after Benetti had hit the woodwork with a fierce shot.

The ball bobbed about in the French goalmouth before Rossi applied the finishing touch.

Five minutes later Benetti had a good chance to put Italy ahead, but he headed straight into the hands of French

goalkeeper Jean-Paul Bertrand-Demanes.

Zaccarelli, who came on at the start of the second half in place of Antonogni, scored after a cross from Gentile.

The shocked Italians tried to catch up but were contained by the French defence.

Italy forced the first corner in the eighth minute.

Boselli almost made it 2-0 for France in the 19th minute but he headed wide a free kick from Michel.

The referee disallowed a goal by Italy's Roberto Bettogno in the 16th minute, judging him offside.

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Play became scrappy after the second Italian goal and Marco Tardelli, the Italian mid-field player, was cautioned by Romanian referee Nicolae Ralnea in the 59th minute for rough play.

Tardelli was the first player to be cautioned in the tournament.

French star Michel Platini was cautioned a minute later for arguing. Platini was close-

replaced Lecombe in the 76th minute.

But Italy held on to snatch victory.

Cautioned: Tardelli (Italy), Platini and Michel (France). Teams:

**FRANCE —** Bertrand-Demanes, Janvion, Tresor, Rio, Bossis, Michel, Guillou, Platini, Daiger, Lacombe (Berdoll 76 mins), Six (Rouyer 64 mins).

**ITALY —** Zoff, Gentile, Cabriale, Bonetti, Bellugi, Scirea, Causin, Tardelli, Rossi, Antonogni (Zaccarelli 45 mins), Bottega.

Referee: Nicolae Ralnea (Romania).

## Sweden, Austria to beat Brazil: coach

**BUENOS AIRES — Sweden justified its reputation as one of the sleeping giants of the World Cup by drawing 1-1 with Brazil.**

Three-time winners Brazil had a little cause for rejoicing after a lifeless display.

Brazilian manager Claudio



Reinaldo

Brazilian Press spokesman Decio da Almeida said Coutinho admitted his team had played badly, blaming World Cup nerves for the poor showing of the 11 best Brazil players. But he added that Sweden would be tough opponents for anyone in the championship.

Many saw the draw as the product of Coutinho's defensive strategy, alien to Brazil's traditions, which has imposed crippling restrictions on his best players.

Most disappointing of the Brazilian players was captain and mid-field mastermind Rivellino, expected to be one of the stars of the tournament. His passing was wayward and little was seen of his explosive shot.

Sweden, keeping it simple and taking advantage of a nervous Brazilian defence, showed once again that it is dangerous to underestimate them. They have a World Cup record which more illustrious teams would envy.

Even without injured striker Ralf Edsjoen, Sweden put their counter-attacking plan to good effect and Thomas Sjöberg's 37th minute goal came as no surprise.

Brazil snatched an equaliser through Reinaldo just on half time.

Brazil missed three good chances in the opening 15 minutes and this seemed to take the spirit out of the side.

Icy winds and drizzling rain were not ideal conditions, but were no excuse for the South Americans' poor performance.

## Polish manager praises Tunisia

**ROSARIO —** Tunisia, rated the

1,000 to one outsider, pulled off the first major upset of the World Cup when it beat Mexico 3-1 in

their Group Two match here.

Despite falling behind to a penalty from Arturo Vazquez on the stroke of half time, the Tunisians roared back in the second half to score through Ali Kaabi (55 minutes), Nabil Gommidh (80) and Dhouib (87).

As the other two teams in Group Two, West Germany and Poland had played a goalless draw, Tunisia moved temporarily to the top of the table.

Still unlikely to achieve any success against the Poles or Germans, the Tunisians can take satisfaction from their victory over Mexico, now almost certain to be on their way home after the first round.

Polish manager Jacek Gmoch revealed a growing respect for Tunisia after the upset 3-1 victory.

Gmoch said: "Tunisia presented a very high level of skill on the ball. They are very good at playing an attacking game ... they are a modern team, good in attack and

## WORLD CUP STANDINGS

Standings after weekend matches:

### GROUP ONE

**Hungary 1, Argentina 2.** Half-time: 1-1. Scorers: Arango (14), Bertoni (24); Hungary — Csatos (10), Antunes (17), Gómez (24).

**France 1, Italy 2.** Half-time: 1-1. Scorers: France — Lacombe (1); Italy — Rossi (29), Zaccarelli (54).

Attendance: 45,000.

### GROUP TWO

**Tunisia 3, Mexico 1.** Half-time: 0-1. Scorers: Tunisia — Ali Kaabi (55), Nabil Gommidh (80), Moktar Dovit (87); Mexico — Vazquez (45 pen.).

**West Germany 0, Poland 0.** Standings

Standings

W D L F A P

Argentina ..... 1 0 0 1 2 1

Italy ..... 1 0 0 2 1 2

France ..... 0 1 1 2 0

Hungary ..... 0 1 1 2 0

### GROUP THREE

**Spain 1, Austria 2.** Half-time: 1-1. Scorers: Spain — Dani (21); Austria — Schachner (9), Kranki (76).

**Sweden 0, Brazil 1.** Half-time: 0-1. Scorers: Sweden — Slobod (37); Brazil — Reinaldo (46).

Standings

W D L F A P

Austria ..... 1 0 0 2 1 2

Brazil ..... 0 1 0 1 1 1

Sweden ..... 0 1 1 1 2 0

Spain ..... 0 1 1 2 0

### GROUP FOUR

**Peru 3, Scotland 1.** Half-time: 1-1. Scorers: Scotland — Jordan (14); Peru — Cueto (43), Cubillas (70, 76).

**Iran 0, Holland 2.** Half-time: 0-1. Scorers: Holland — Rensenbrink (40 pen., 62, 78 min.).

Standings

W D L F A P

Peru ..... 1 0 0 3 0 2

Holland ..... 1 0 0 3 1 2

Iran ..... 0 1 1 3 0

Scotland ..... 0 0 1 1 3 0



# Games

This week's Phillips League matches:

**IN MELBOURNE**  
St. Melb Hellas v St George, Middle Park, 3 pm, Saturday.

**J.U.S.T. v Adelaide**

**Juventus, Schintler Reserve, 3 pm, Saturday.**

**IN SYDNEY**  
Marconi v Brisbane Lions, Marconi Oval, 3 pm Sunday.  
Hakoah v Newcastle, Wentworth Park, 1 pm Sunday.

**Western Suburbs v Olympic, Wentworth Park, 3 pm Sunday.**

**IN BRISBANE**  
Brisbane City v Fitzroy Alexander, Perry Park, 3 pm Sunday.

**IN ADELAIDE**  
W. Adel Hellas v Canberra, Hindmarsh Stadium, 2.30 pm Sunday.

**PHILIPS CUP**  
St. George Souths v. Brisbane City, Perry Park, Wednesday 8 pm.

# STANDINGS

	HOME	AWAY	W	D	L	F	G	P				
Marconi	6	1	0	22	8	3	3	10	53	13		
W. Adel Hellas	3	0	3	11	10	5	2	1	9	6	20	16
Hakoah-East	2	2	13	5	4	2	18	11	20	16		
Sts Melb Hellas	2	3	2	7	7	3	3	1	9	6	16	15
Brisbane Lions	1	5	1	7	8	3	3	1	12	10	19	16
Fitzroy JUST	3	2	2	10	7	2	3	2	10	13	20	15
West Suburbs	3	3	1	12	9	2	1	4	12	16	24	15
Brisbane City	4	0	3	9	8	2	1	4	9	13	18	13
Adel Juventus	3	2	3	11	9	1	2	3	7	12	18	12
Footscray JUST	1	2	4	6	10	2	4	1	5	6	11	16
Newcastle KB	1	3	3	11	14	2	3	2	10	13	20	17
Canberra	0	7	0	10	10	1	2	4	6	12	16	22
Syd. Olympic	1	2	5	9	14	2	2	2	6	10	15	24
St. George	3	0	4	9	10	1	1	5	6	10	15	20

## Philips League team of week

In brackets: No. of appearances in this team —

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(Alexander)	(Canberra)	(Newcastle)	
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5 Watson (Hak), Silva (Hak), Sharne (Marc), Hughes (Lions), Marley (Brisb C).  
4 T. Byrne (Can), Mariani (Marc), E. Campbell (Hak), Marocchi (Adel Juve) J. Nyskohus (Adel Juve)



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## THIS WEEK'S VOTES

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 1 (Kampas pen), ST GEORGE 0 at Barton Park, Sydney. Crowd 3254.

Ratings by John Taylor.

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 7, Tymczyzyn 7, Reynolds 7,

McGachey 7, Jones 8, Kampas 7, Bozanic 6, Honeyman 7,

Norris 7, Boyle 7, McGregor 6.

ST GEORGE: Clemente 7, Harris 6, Grossie 6, Morgan 6,

M. O'Shea 6, J. O'Shea 6, Mendez 5, Jones 5, Ghavi 5

(Acosta 5 40th — Holmik 7th), Heneman 5, O'Connor 5.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 2 (LUJIC, Rujevic) BRISBANE CITY 2 (Rujevic own goal, Caldwell) at Schnitter Reserve, crowd about 1000.

Ratings by Laurie Schwab:

J.U.S.T.: Boland 6, Hazebert 6, Kondaric 7, Iloski 7, Lujic 7, Rujevic 7, (Vasic '78th), Picloane 6, Martin 7,

Nicolaides 5, Palinkas 6, Ristovski 7.

BRISBANE CITY: Whart 8, Marshall 7, Tokes 7, Perry 6,

Kibbey 6, Geffrey 7, Johnston 5 (Fegan 50th), Plimblett 6,

Coyne 5 (Conner 5th), Marley 4, Caldwell 7.

BRISBANE LIONS 1 (Bennett) EASTERN SUBURBS HAKOAH 1 (Thomson) at Perry Park, Brisbane. Crowd 3000.

Ratings by Bruce Waddell.

LIONS: Lownds 8, Wilson 6, Hermiston 8, Bennett 7, Potter 7, Neale 8, Spearritt 7 (Ames 67th) Hughes 6, Leslie 5, (Ontong 80th) Falbrother 7, Morris 6.

HAKOAH: Clarke 7, Mullen 8, Thomson 7, O'Connor 7,

Mowbray 7, Stevenson 7, Bouness 6 (Bobby Smith 77th), Barnes 6, Watson 8, Campbell 7, Silva 8.

FITZROY ALEXANDER 4 (Buljevic, Cole, Campbell, Bozikas) MARCONI 1 (Richards) at Olympic Park, crowd about 12,000.

Ratings by Laurie Schwab:

ALEXANDER: Blaikie 7, McMillan 6, O'Reilly 7, Provan 7,

Taylor 8, Campbell 8, Boulton 6, Taylor 8, Bozikas 9, Cole 7, Buljevic 5, (Miloski 78th).

MARCONI: Maher 7, Byrne 5, Russell 5, (Brogan 60th), Richards 8, Dugney 5, Rooney 7, Jankovic 4 (Berry 7, half time), Vieri 7, Sharne 5, Mariani 6, Williams 6.

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS 3 (Marocchi 2, Nutri) CANTERBURY CITY 1 (Grujicic), Olympic Sports Field. Crowd 5,301.

Ratings by Frank Pangello.

ADELAIDE JUVENTUS — Marshall 8, Young 5 (Marce half time 6), B. Nyskohus 7, Marocchi 6, Bealr 8, Lister 6, Perin 7, Muniz 6 (Dens 78 min) Marocchi 8, J., Nyskohus 9, Mul 7, Northcote 8.

CANTERBURY — Tilied 5, Moulis 7, Henderson 7, Davles 7, Hogg 6, Grulicic 6, Brown 6, Marinello 8, Cant 6 (Heywood 80 min) Parker 6, Stark 8.

NEWCASTLE KB UTD 2 (Drinkwater, Mountford) WESTERN SUBURBS 1 (Scott) at International Sports Centre, Newcastle. Crowd 6789.

Ratings by Joe Lanzoni.

NEWCASTLE: Dand 7, Willis 7, Summerscales 7,

Drinkwater 8, Curran 8, Hardes 7, Johnston 8, Mason 7,

Galpin 7, Mountford 8, Boden 8.

WEBST: Lachowicz 8, Skellern 6, Rowden 7, Ankudinoff 6, Turnbull 6, Hardling 7, Stone 8, Scott 7, Eaton 7, Vernon 6, (Fisher 88th min), O'Donnell 7.

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RATINGS by Alan Vesti:

OLYMPIC: Karakocas 6, McIntosh 6, Palmer 6, Wilson 7,

Mickland 6, (Stravopodis in the 33-8), Jamieson 7,

Raskopoulos 6, Laing 7, Davouris 8, Pirie 6, Almeli 7.

S.MELBOURNE: Hansen 8, Pye 7, Hagegnouli 7, Baxter 8, Kafalidis 7, Lutton 8, Wright 7, Christopoulos 6, Rogers 6, Campbell 6, Cummings 7.

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RATINGS by Bruce Waddell.

LIONS: Lownds 8, Wilson 6, Bennett 6, Hermiston 8, Potter 7, Neale 8, Ames 7, Hughes 5 (Leazio 69th min), Ontong 7, Falbrother 6, Morris 6.

J.U.S.T. Boland 8, Hazebert 6, Kondaric 8, Iloski 6, Rujevic 6, Campbell 6, Nicolaides 5, Ristovski 6.

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7.5 Richards (Marc), Northcote (Adel Juve), Lutton (SA-Hellas)

7.4 Gurney (Bris C), Lownds (Lions), Dugney (Marc), Rooney (Marc), Sharne (Marc), B. Nyskohus (Adel Juve), McQue (WA-Hellas), Hakoah (WA-Hellas)

7.3 Henderson (Can), Stark (Can), O'Connor (St.G), Hansen (SM-Hellas), Ercol (WA-Hellas)

7.2 Buljevic (Alax), Tilied (Can), Brown (Can), Rujevic (JUST), Luje (JUST), Summerscales (Newc), Marshall (Adel Juve), Meier (Oly)

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# Marconi ground into the mud

By LAURIE SCHWAB

**Having crushed Marconi 4-1, Alexander now begins the countdown for its clash with arch-rival South Melbourne Hellas at Olympic Park four weeks from now.**

First comes the match against Brisbane City in Brisbane on Sunday, then Hakoah in Melbourne, and Western Suburbs in Sydney.

By then, Alexander should have joined the Lions in the top four and the battle between the two Greek giants should draw a record PSL crowd.

Alexander coach John Marpethas was ecstatic after his team had ground Marconi into the mud of Olympic Park. "We're the best team in Australia," he said.

Alexander's rise up the ladder has been spectacular. Dead last for so long, Alexander is now unbeaten in seven straight games, including its Phillips Cup tie against Sturt.

The victory over Marconi was the result of cohesive team play, featuring the best of every player in the team.

**Athur McMillian** was a steamroller at right back, Jim O'Reilly and Bob Proven were safe and solid in the middle despite the battle for the ball, and Gary Byrne on who started on with little support, Jim Tansay was creative and dynamic, overlapping from left back, and goalkeeper Peter Blasby was as capably with the few shots Marconi managed to come up with.

All the midfielders worked their guts out, dropping back quickly to defend, overlapping and making passes into attack, while Branko Buljevic, Andrew Bozikas and Jim Campbell, coming from behind, were simply too fast, too aggressive and too imaginative for their opponents.

Gary Byrne had a nightmare first half against Branko Buljevic at right back and it was no surprise that he was the first to be sent off to play there after the break.

Paul Degney was vulnerable at left back and John Russell had a poor game as sweeper, being eventually replaced by a strong Peter Brogan. How Marconi missed Ivo Prakatol. This majestic former Veler Mosatar player was out due to a one-week suspension.

Richards headed in from a sole hand in defence, emerging as the best player on the ground. He fought like a tiger against Alexander's persistent onslaught and surged forward, passing and pressing, trying to motivate his team and even scoring Marconi's only goal.

Roberto Vieri and Jimmy Rooney also battled along valiantly and when the ball was at the feet, tried hard on the wing without getting much done, but Peter Sharne was right out of the heavy pitch.

Marconi's ball-play was not suited to the conditions. The fast players were slowed down by the mud, as was the ball, but it wasn't the only reason for the slow play.

Buljevic was back after missing a few games due to a leg injury and his creativity added much sting to Alexander's attacks, but the most prominent of the forwards was Andrew Bozikas.

## Kiwis draw 2-2

CHRISTCHURCH.—The touring England side drew 2-2 with the New Zealand team Trans Tours United.

Tourists, just above the half way mark on the New Zealand national table, may have been lucky to catch the Englishmen in a jaded condition for their first match of the current tour.

In the first 20 minutes the tourists were well on top, with their three international setting a brisk pace.

After 17 minutes England got their first goal when Mick Spurton shot from the edge of the penalty area and gave Trans Tours keeper Steve Greville no chance.

Two minutes later England captain Steve Taitson fell on the unmarked and put a cross pass to John Richards into the net.

A minute later Trans Tours Ian Park got the first of his two penalties. The second came after an infringement by Spright.

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Another goal looked certain when Bozikas stormed away past the defence, but Richards dived at his feet — a timely foul which earned him the yellow card.

But Alexander quickly made a new opening. Cole went on a long run, then, with 10 minutes to go, Richards far behind, and sent the ball inside to Bozikas. His shot was repelled by Byrne and went out to Campbell who lobbed it just under the crossbar, the ball hitting the bar.

Berry was at right back, Jankovic off, and Byrne in midfield after the break, but it took Alexander only five minutes to go ahead again. Cole, who had been on the right, Buljevic brought the ball down at the far post and played it short to Bozikas who rammed it past Maher.

Marconi scored its consolation five minutes later when



Marconi's best player, Ray Richards, Rugby-tackles Alexander's star Andrew Bozikas to prevent him from scoring. Pictures by SAM BELFONTE.

## Total disaster



St. George 0 WA Hellas 1

By John Taylor

Not even the presence of Ray Clemence, the England and Liverpool goalkeeper, was enough to lift St. George out of the doldrums against West Adelaide Hellas.

In what can only be described as an absolute shocker at Barton Park, West Adelaide picked up two valuable points with a 1-0 victory. The lone goal came only 10 minutes into the game, when West's Greek International Con Kamps who scored from the penalty spot. Saints' forward Peter Haneman was the only spirit, for a foul on West's fullback, Ben Reynolds, he raced for goal.

And so Clemence's first touch of the ball was picking it out of the net and Reynolds had scored from the spot. Clemence had dived the wrong way.

But for the rest of the game Clemence was under little pressure and managed to save easily.

The game was short and drama.

West Adelaide coach Jim Adam admitted later that it hadn't been one of his team's best performances.

"Just wait until we click," he said.

But if Adam thought West's game was bad, then Saints' performance was even more disastrous.

Even St. George coach Joe Vlastas said: "It's going to be hard to get off the bottom."

Saints are playing without confidence and fighting spirit.

But fighting spirit is the one thing West Adelaide is certainly displaying.

West Adelaide were content to run tightly and force St. George into making mistakes.

Saints are absolutely pitiful in midfield where they repeatedly squandered possession by hurriedly losing it, while West did they strike a more topless.

Generally the St. George midfield was a conglomeration mass and one wonders why St. George imports such players as Paul Jones, Carlos Mendez and Andrei.

Jones almost scored from a 20-metre left foot pileriver in the 22nd minute and from then on he continually tried long distance shots.

Striker Phil O'Connor had his worst game for a long time. He tried for too much fancy stuff which only came off.

Perhaps he was unlucky not to get an equalising goal for Saints a minute from half time when his header was cleared off the line by Kamps.

Kamps and big David Jones served West Adelaide well. Jones, in particular, was strong in the air and he showed just how to "shut down" a player.

Barnes made several penetrating runs in the first half but was not as dominant in the second.

Perhaps the greatest thing about Wests was their aggression.



England goalkeeper Ray Clemence makes one of his few saves against West Adelaide. Also pictured is Saints' midfielder Isidoro Acosta.

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# J.U.S.T.'s chance to overtake Juventus



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**Footscray J.U.S.T. has the chance to climb ahead of Adelaide Juventus by beating Les Scheinflug's men at Schintler Reserve on Saturday.**

By LAURIE SCHWAB



Brisbane City's Steve Perry clears in front of Dragan Vasic.

## Villain Roy a hero now

By JOE LANZONI

In what could only be described as a Cinderella story, captain Roy Drinkwater scored the winning goal in Newcastle's 2-1 win against Western Suburbs.

Drinkwater had been on the out-again with Newcastle supporters for scoring the own goal when Newcastle lost 0-1 to West Adelaide Hellas.

Last week when Newcastle had Maroon down twice at Bosley Park, Drinkwater scored the winning goal when the game was still poised at 2-2 with 15 minutes to go.

However the transition from villain to hero is very brief and nothing pleases the Aussie crowd more than to see the underdog getting up.

After some sustained pressure by Newcastle, Craig Johnston brought a great save from Lachowicz for a corner. Drinkwater latched on to a loose ball and Johnston sent him on with a great drive from that corner kick, and steered the ball past the helpless keeper for the winning goal.

Newcastle was the better side by far, and should have won more comfortably.

Newcastle did not have a bad player on the ground.

However the performances of Boden, Johnston and Mountford must be singled out.

Boden was at his brilliant best, beating player after player before slipping the ball back to his on-coming forwards.

## Penalty denied



Lions 0 JUST 0

Brisbane Lions bombed the chance to secure outright third place on the PSL ladder when they battled out a scoreless draw with Footscray JUST at Perry Park on Monday.

Lions should have punished a tired JUST in the last 20 minutes when they sacrificed countless chances.

But on the other hand, JUST were by far the better footballing side and as usual their failure to finish off the lead-up work prevented them from doing the same to Lions.

Lions appear to be in some form of midseason slump and their defence of Jim Hermiston, Col Bennett, George Porter and Nigel Lowndes are being put under enormous pressure by some terrible midfield displays.

Steve Amos was the only one in



the middle who played up to standard.

JUST should have led at least 1-0 with a 23rd minute penalty when Joe Plicano was grabbed by at least two defenders as he entered the box. But referee Dieter Kloss incredibly refused to blow the whistle.

JUST had much more goal-scoring action in the first half, with Lions saving great shots from Plicano and Zoran Illicic while fullback Bill Wilson cleared the lines to halt advances by Ristovski and Joe Palinkas.

Kuzmanov to Austria

Nick Kuzmanov, the Essendon Croats striker, has transferred to Kellar Austria for \$3000.

He was unhappy with his former club because he was not getting a regular game. The final straw for Kuzmanov was his omission from the party that travelled to Tasmania for the club's first round Phillips Cup game against White Eagles.

Kuzmanov's departure comes hot on the heels of the transfer of defender Wally Kulyk to Kellar City.

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# Return of Deans an inspiration

By FRANK PANGALLO



**Dixie Deans' triumphant return to Adelaide last weekend must have been an omen for struggling Juventus.**

Although the diminutive and colorful striker played only about 35 minutes of the second half, his presence was enough inspiration for Juventus and the adoring fans who chanted for him from the start.

It was a much-needed win for Juventus, a club which in recent weeks had been plagued by the unsettling effects of an overextended and suspended pair of coach Edmund Kren and the sudden walkout by Scottish imports Pat McCluskey and Graham Fyfe.

**Canberra's dogged persistence and unrelenting determination on occasions gave Juventus' midfielders little room to be creative in a dominating sense.**

But Juventus definitely looked the more polished and aggressive outfit.

**Johnny Nyskohous was perhaps Juventus' most constructive player.**

On many occasions his explosive bursts in attack exposed Canberra's defense but poor finishing from the Juventus strikers saw his efforts go unrewarded on the scoreboard.

**Canberra's import Peter Marshello had a tremendous game in attack.**



His dazzling skills had the Juventus defense bewildered and on the point of panic.

Had Marshello received support from his team mates, the end result may have been different.

Juventus was forced to play big Jim Muir in attack when Scicero John Koamina ruled himself unfit to play because of a neck injury suffered during last week's State game against Dundee.

**Coach Les Scheinflug brought Agnew Muniz into midfield to partner John Perin and Gary Marocchini, while Deans and Marshello sat on the bench.**

Muir's impact was felt almost immediately — in fact — only 40 seconds after the start of play.

**Johnny Nyskohous burst down the left and crossed the ball to Muir who nodded it down for Marocchini to blast into the net from six metres.**

Although Juventus looked sharp in midfield and attack early, their defense seemed unsettled.

**This enabled Canberra to take the initiative in the 31st minute when John Davies crossed into the box and unmarked Ivan Dragic ran in to tap the ball past Juventus' goalkeeper Peter Marshall.**

At the other end of the field, Canberra's keeper Ron Tilled was having a nightmare trying to cope with Muir's height.

In the 18th minute, Tilled tried to outpatient and dropped the ball to Dragic for a header. And fortune was on Canberra's side again when Muir's close-range shot whistled past the upright.

Ten minutes later, after a fine build-up instigated by Buggy Nyskohous, Tilled once more failed to hold a drive from Johnny Nyskohous but Muir couldn't get his foot to the ball as it went across the goalmouth.

Five minutes from half time Tilled could only block a drive from Johnny Nyskohous but the referee, Gary Marocchini, couldn't squeeze his shots between the posts.

Canberra almost took a shock lead on the hour when a diagonal pass across goal by Fred Young was intercepted by Marshello but the star import couldn't balance himself to crack at Marshall.

**With Deans on for Muniz, Juventus attacked with a great deal more purpose and urgency in the second half.**

**Muir saved Canberra when he cleared a header from Muir off the line after Tilled had another attack of the fumbles.**

**Burt was to prove Tilled's downfall.**

**In the 70th minute Muir superbly headed a Buggy Nyskohous free kick into the roof of the net and two minutes later played an important part in Juventus' third goal.**

**Buggy dashed down the right and found Muir who in turn flicked the ball on for Marocchini to polish off a rewarding attack.**



## Match marred by poor refereeing

By ALEX VESIC

**South Melbourne Hellas had to fight a spirited Sydney Olympic for almost the entire second half in their own penalty area, to come away with two points.**

**For those 2000-plus spectators who boozed Sydney Olympic before the start of the game, two points seemed so close throughout the second half yet so far away during the first half.**

**Two goals in only five minutes old when Hellas received a free kick for an infringement seen only by referee Wilkinson. While some of the Olympic defenders were getting the 'walk' ready, and some still at the line, the referee, Wilkinson, George Campbell took the kick. The ball floated towards the top right hand corner. Karakostas then stopped and started again but did not manage an attempt to stop the ball from hitting the post. The ball was then cleared by the referee.**

**Decision: An indirect free kick to Hellas, which almost resulted in another goal for the visitors.**

**In the 38th minute Hellas had gone one goal up when Wilkinson, who had been unmarked, sent a perfect cross from the far post. Stuart Baxter scored.**

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**In the 39th minute the visitors were two goals up.**

**A free kick by Lutton, from 40 yards out, floated into the area. Campbell, who had been unmarked, had only to push the ball under Karakostas for the second goal of the game.**

**At the 49th minute, Devouras ran past Rovers, pushed the ball to Pirle, then ran into the area. Pirle returned the favour, giving Karakostas a clear shot at the goal. The former Olympiakos striker hit the ball with such force, giving Henson no chance to save.**

**In the second half, the traffic was strictly one way towards Henson's goal.**

**But for all their attacking, Olympic never really looked like scoring.**

**However, it was the men in the middle who stole the limelight.**

**In the 65th minute Bravopedia ran with the ball when shoulder charged by Harganmanou. It looked legit, but when the ball still had the ball, the referee gave a free kick against Bravopedia!**

**The game was two minutes old in the second half when Pirle was flagged for offside, with three**

## Richards: I'm sorry

**Marconi star Ray Richards made the most sporting gesture of the year in a letter sent to Canberra City, apologising for the actions that caused him to be sent on the field.**

**Richards wrote:**

**"I am writing to sincerely apologise for my actions after being sent from the field after last week's game in Canberra. My apologies are directed towards you and your committee, your manager-coach Johnny Warren, and your team. I feel your wonderful supporters, the likes of which any team in the country would be proud to represent and play for."**

**"I am not and will not apologise to certain elements in the Canberra City football community who do nothing for soccer except**

**bring it down, as my actions did in the Sydney Cup against Canberra City more than justified us on the field, and no doubt frustration to a certain degree partly caused me to act the way I did."**

**"Will you please convey my sincere apologies to all parties involved in this as I deeply regret what happened."**

**"Congratulations to Johnny and the boys in Canberra. I know they must feel after cutting us for 90 minutes and only sharing the points, I assure you we were more than happy to return to Sydney with one point."**

**"Many thanks for the hospitality but not the memories."**

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Chris Kalafatidis, who plays his 100th game for Hellas next week, says . . .

# 'I'd love to give the Greeks a hiding'

By KYLE PATTERSON

**Sammy Wright, South Melbourne Hellas' Irish midfielder, is another Jimmy Mackay according to the club's young centre back Chris Kalafatidis.**

However, Mackay, who was one of the greatest players in Australia during his distinguished career with Croatia, Melbourne, Hakoah Eastern Suburbs and South Melbourne, still is Kalafatidis' nomination as the best-ever Hellas player.

Kalafatidis played alongside Mackay for three years in the Hellas side, and has been a team mate of Wright's since the Irishman arrived in Australia early this year.

"Sammy, as did Jimmy, has unbelievable ball skills," said the burly former Hellas junior, "and is always advising and helping team mates on the field. Like Mackay, he's there when you need him most."

"The styles of Jimmy and Sammy are similar, and both are very talented."

This may sound like a rushed judgement from the 20-year-old defender, but Kalafatidis knows what he's talking about. In his fifth season with the Hellas first team, Kalafatidis has been with the club longer than any other player in the present Hellas squad.

**He plays his 100th game for Hellas (barring injury) against Newcastle KB Utd. in Newcastle on June 17.**

"I can't wait to reach my century of games with the club," said Kalafatidis. "As a kid I dreamed about playing for Hellas, as does every junior with any ambition. Playing 100 games for the club is something I've always wanted to do. After that, I'd like to be the club captain one day."

It's obvious that Kalafatidis is proud of being part of the Greek club, which he regards as one of the best in Australia.

**His devotion and service to the club has earned him the title of 'Mr Hellas'.**

An insurance clerk with United Insurance Company, Kalafatidis has achieved so much in his relatively short big-time soccer career. How many other players can boast of having represented their state when 17, playing 100 games with one of the nation's most powerful clubs and getting selected for their country before their 21st birthday?

What's more, Chris is still regarded as an 'up and coming youngster' with his best days in front of him.

Kalafatidis made his debut for Hellas in the last game of the 1973 season. It was in a State League Cup match against Alexander and South Melbourne won 2-1.

Amongst the Hellas stars that day were Mackay, Jim Armstrong, Steve Walker, Andrew Savage and Arthur Xanthopoulos. Being only 16, was Chris nervous about the game?

"No, actually I was really confident and enjoyed the game," answers Kalafatidis. "Players like Mackay and Walker, who were real professionals, gave me a lot of help. It was a big thrill."

"I had nothing to lose and everything to gain."

Indeed Kalafatidis played only 11 reserve games before being promoted to the first team. Before coming into the reserves he'd played under 16 with Hellas, and spent a total of three years in the club's junior ranks.

Had he slipped back to the reserves after his early run in the firsts, it wouldn't have mattered too much, as he was destined for the top. As it was, Kalafatidis went on to cement his place in the firsts, and now wears the image of being one of the stalwarts of the side.

Season 1974 was one of consolidation for Chris. He was still to settle in the right position.

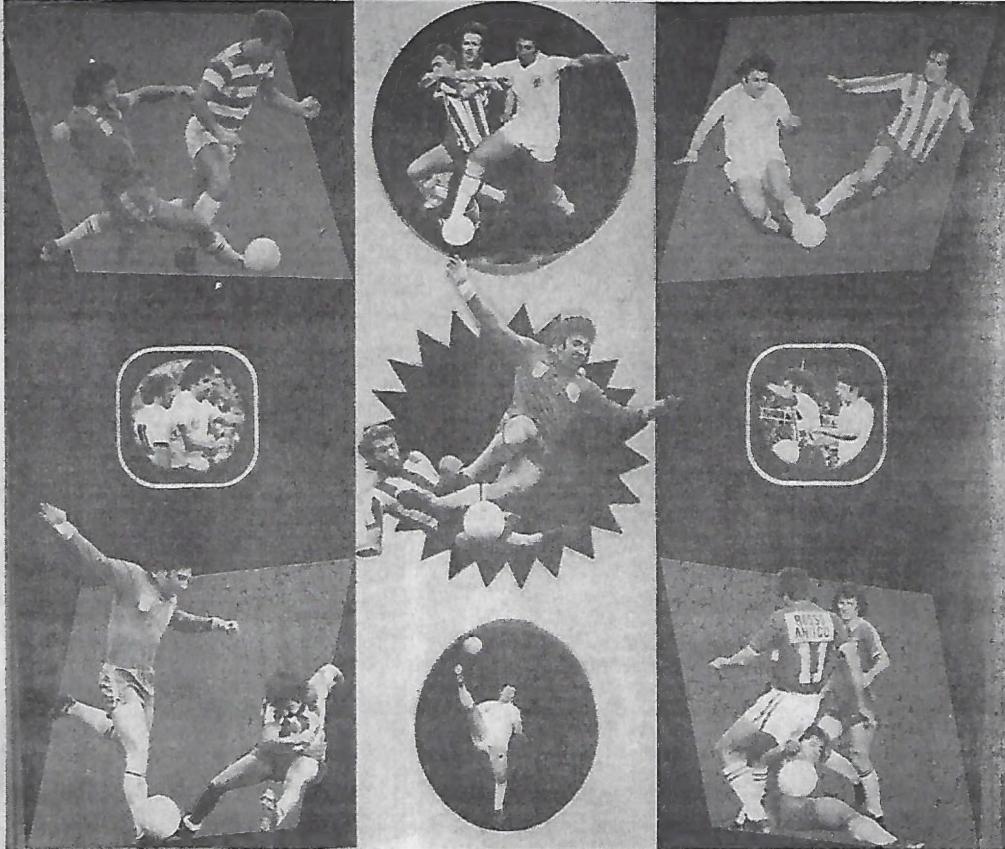
"In my first game I played one half at right back, and the other in midfield," said Chris. "During the next two seasons I played every position on the backline, and often was used in the midfield. However, the last two seasons I've stayed at centre half, which is the position I prefer. There's too much running to do in midfield!"

Chris has become known for his strong, well-time sliding tackles, which have stopped many good attacking moves.

In 1975, Chris had his best season since coming into the side, and in 1976 was again one of the most consistent performers in the Hellas side that romped away with the State League championship and the Ampol Cup.

However, Chris says the success Hellas had that season was one of the reasons for Hellas' bad showing in the inaugural Philips League season in 1977.

"We did very well in '76," said Chris, "but we had very little break between the '76 and '77 seasons. Most of the players



were mentally tired of soccer, and didn't have the enthusiasm needed. It seemed as though we had just finished one season, and immediately started pre-season preparation for the next. This year it was better because we had a good rest during the closed season."

Hellas played well early this year, and Chris says manager Dave MacLaren was the man who got things going.

"Dave has done a lot of good for Hellas," said Kalafatidis. "He introduced a more professional attitude. Now the club has a full-time general manager and offices. For the players, all their boots are cleaned for them, and training strips are provided and washed by the club. That's a big help for players with wives (Chris is single), because they get into trouble if they bring home piles of muddy training gear all the time."

However, Chris said the present team is basically a young one, and will improve with time.

"We had a few bad results, then the spirit fell out of the side," said Chris. "One thing that didn't help was players slacking that term mates for bad passes or not doing what that person thought should've been done. If we are to get back on the right track we'll have to start at the beginning and build up team spirit again."

However, Chris said the present team is basically a young one, and will improve with time.

MacLaren is one of five coaches Chris has played under at Hellas. The others are Brian Edgley, former Mooroolbark player and coach now with Frankston, Manny Poulaakakis, Con Xanthopoulos, who was caretaker coach last season after Poulaakakis had been sacked, and John Margaritis, who is now with Alexander.

"Dave's the best coach we've had," said Chris, "but every coach has his own style. Edgley's idea was to get the team fit, then win games by running the opposition off the park. Poulaakakis was the exact opposite. He said it was all in the mind, and that fitness was secondary if the players had the right mental attitude. Xanthopoulos was unlucky. He had a lot of good ideas, but the players didn't respond to him because he was a reserve team coach before he got the job. He lacked authority."

"Dave seems to have a bit of everything — an appreciation of fitness, good ideas and the belief that mental attitude is important."

Like most defenders, Chris has a player who gives him a lot of trouble on the field.

"**Jimmy Rooney** (also of Marconi) is a difficult opponent," said Chris. "He's the man behind Marconi, and I like him higher than Roberto Vassalli. Marconi is one of our midfields."

Kalafatidis has imports Stuart Baxter, young Margaritis Hagegegnouli and Mike Pyne, who also plays his 100th game for Hellas shortly, to help him combat troublesome forwards.

"Baxter has made the difference to the defence," said Chris. "He directs the traffic, is good in the air and tackles strongly."

"Margaritis is a real trier. At the start of the season everyone was saying he wasn't good enough. However, he got a chance and hasn't looked back."

"Pyne trains very hard and gives everything on the field."

Kalafatidis represented Victoria against Benfica.

"I was on for only the last five minutes," said Chris, "but it was a great experience."

Chris gained his first national team call up recently when he was selected for the Australian XI for the games against Greece in Melbourne on Sunday.

"I'd love to play against the Greeks and give them a hiding," said Chris. "My parents are Greek but I reckon Australia has a chance of getting good results."

If Kalafatidis gets a game for Australia, it will put him on the road to fulfilling another of his ambitions.

"I want to play for Australia in the World Cup finals," said Chris. With talented youngster like Chris Kalafatidis in the ranks, the Socceroos may be there in 1982.

Chris Kalafatidis seen through the camera of SAM BELFONTE. His opponents, from top left, are: Mike Cross (Olympic), John Kosmina and Peter Boyle (W. Adelaide), Pat Lowrey (Mooroolbark), Branko Buljevic (Alexander), Barrie Fairbrother (Mooroolbark), Andrew Bozikas (Alexander), Paul Ontong (Mooroolbark) and Peter Sharne (No. 11, Marconi).

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Australia has played against Greece four times for a record of two wins, one draw and one loss.

When Greece toured Australia in 1969, it lost to Australia 0-2 in Sydney, drew 2-2 in Brisbane and won 2-0 in Melbourne.

When Australia played in Athens on its 1970 world tour, it beat Greece 3-1, with **Jimmy Mackay** marking Domazos out of the game and Adrian Alston, Mackay and George Blues scoring the goals.

Australia's team was: Jack Reilly, John Roche, Peter Wilson, Manfred Schaefer, Col Curran, Ray Richards, Johnny Warren, Jimmy Mackay, George Blues, Adrian Alston, Billy Vojtek (Mike Denton), Ray Baartz, Billy Vojtek.

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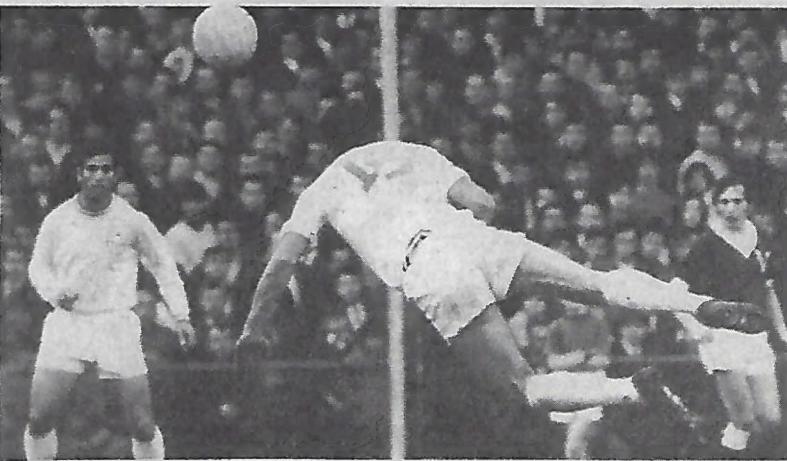
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A scene from Greece's scoreless draw with Victoria at Olympic Park in 1969. Demetrios Hatzianaglou (No. 16) flies through the air to head the ball to team mate Kritikopoulos (left), with Victoria's Billy Vojtek in the background at right.



On the same tour, Australia drew 1-1 with Greece B in Kavala, with Alston scoring the goal.



Australia's team for the 1-0 victory over Greece in Sydney in 1969 was: Ron Corry, Manfred Schaefer, John Watkiss, Alan March, Stan Ackerley, Johnny Warren, Danny Walsh, Attila Abonyi, Adrian Alston (Tommy McColl), Ray Baartz, Billy Vojtek.

Papaiouannou in Melbourne, 1969

Attila Abonyi scores the penalty that gave Australia its 1-0 victory over Greece in Sydney in 1969.



Manfred Schaefer (No.2) in action against Greece in Athens in 1970, with Peter Wilson watching from the ground. Australia won 3-1.

Domazos in Melbourne with Atromitos, 1976.



New Socceroo Martyn Crook (W. Adel.) punches clear of Pat Ban (Alexander). At left is Socceroo David Jones.



John Stevenson (Hakoah).



Gary Cole (Alexander).

## Three new S

The Greek national team plays the first of its three matches against Australia at Olympic Park in Melbourne on Sunday, against experimental Australian XI.

The other games will be against a Australian team in an International Adelaide next Wednesday night, and against another Australian XI at Sydney Cricket Ground on Sunday we June 18.

Australia's squads are: Olympic Park, Melbourne, June Peter Laumets (Makedonia), Gary By Marcon, Chris Kalafatidis, (Hakoah-Easts), John Stevenson (Hakoah-Easts), Pioziane, (JUST), Gary Cole, (Alexander), Mendo Ristovski, (JUST), Jim Reilly, (Hellas), David Jones, (W. Adel.), Jim Tansley, (Alexander), Garry Marocchi (Adelaide Juve), Jim Nyakohus, (Adelaide Juve), Steve Kokoska (Essendon, Croatia), Jim Davies, (Canberra City).



Peter Laumets (Makedonia).

## After eight attempts they're yet to r

By STEVE KOUDOS

Greece has participated in eight World Cup competitions but was never able to reach the final stages.

The closest they came was in 1970, but lost first position in Group Eight to Rumania in the second one in 1934.

The Greeks did not turn up for the first World Cup in 1930 but took part in the second one in 1934.

For their first International appearance they were drawn against Italy, consequently Cup winners to Milan.

They were thrashed 4-0, a score that reflected the difference in football standards between the two countries.

Members of the first national representative team were:

Grammatikopoulos, Chrias Phopoulos, Kourandis, N. Vikelidis, Daniellian, J. Helmis, Migliakis, Aggelakis, Vazos, D. Battanis, L. Andreopoulos.

Italy's goals were scored by, Meacca (44x70'), Giorgi (20') and Ferrari (69').

In the first preliminary round of the following Cup in 1938, Greece qualified for the second round, defeating Palestine away (3-1) and home (1-0).

In Tel-Aviv, Vikelidis excelled and scored two of the winning goals and the third came from Migeleki.

It was Vikelidis again who struck in Athens with the winning goal. Two minutes before the end.

Their two hard-earned wins were later surrendered in Hungary following an incredible 11-1 defeat.

In 1950, after the war when the World Cup games resumed Greece declined. Their participation resumed in 1954.

For their third appearance they were drawn against

Israel and Yugoslavia.

They managed to eliminate Israel 1-0 in Athens and 2-0 in Tel-Aviv.

In Athens Arthur Bebis scored the winning goal, thus starting a great career for the decade to follow.

George Kamaras and Kokkinakis were the scorers in Tel-Aviv.

One point from the remaining two games against Yugoslavia could have pushed Greece into the second qualifying round. But the Yugoslavs proved to be too strong, winning the two games 1-0 in Athens and 1-0 in Belgrade.

Greece's return in 1954 marked the beginning of a new era that probably the best post-war football club level.

Mantalozis, Iaouxis, Rossidis, Soulis, Mouratis, Aloupis, Liroxilikis, Ioannou, Cotridis, Drosos, Bebis, Derivas and Petropoulos, were the most talented members of the team that year.

The retention of the 1954 team basis made no difference to the following term.

The bad precedent against Yugoslavia was followed. After a goalless draw in Athens, they were flattened in Yugoslavia 4-1.

Then Rumania ousted them with two wins, 2-1 in Athens and 3-0 in Romania.

The only memorable event of the 1958 Cup was the establishment of versatile forward Costa Nestoridis, who the local fans enjoyed as a player as well as a coach with South Melbourne Helias.

Local fans also met another member of the squad, Evangelos Panakis, as coach of touring Atromitos.

The surprise of the team was the goal-keeper S Theodoridis, known as the "rubber-man", in Europe for the 1962 competition Greece opened with an impressive 3-0 win over West-Germany, a new for European football.

The disappointment was later comforted with the win over Northern Ireland 2-1, both goals scored by Papageorgiou,nicknamed the "rabbit".

The return games in Ireland and Germany, had a negative outcome — Two goals by Ireland and an equal number by the Germans.

George Sideris made his debut with the team later in the year against the second top goalscorer's away.

Together with Sideris, another three newly-born entered the international arena.

Loukanidis, the player could substitute a whole **Campas**, the player symbol of dedication leadership, and the great general **Mimis Dom** whose high skill and football genius were displayed his brilliant performances with Atromitos of A in Melbourne 2 years ago.

Signs of improvement marked the first two performances of the 1966 round — a splendid win over England 4-2 and a 2-0 win over Wales.

Dimitris Papageorgiou topped the Greek side, scoring 3 of the six goals of the opening games.

Leading the group after two successive wins Greece were demoralised by Russia in Athens with an impressive 4-1 and the little hope left for the away game collapsed in Russia (3-1) and Wales (4-1) although won ahead with Papageorgiou after 90 minutes.

The biggest chance to qualify was squandered

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National squad men in opposition — John O'Shea (St. George), tackles Joe Picioane (J.U.S.T.).

## quads of soccerroos

Hindmarsh Stadium, Adelaide, June 14: Alan Maher, (Marconi), Gary Byrne, (Marconi), Col Bennett, (Brisbane Lions), Gary Marocchi, (Adelaide Juve), Murray Barnes, (Hakoah), Peter Sharne, (Marconi), John Nyakohus, (Adelaide Juve), Martyn Crook, (West Adelaide), David Jones, (West Adelaide), Jimmy Tansey, (Alexander), Peter Stone, (Western Suburbs), John Kosminski, (Adelaide Juve), Phil O'Connor, (St. George), Gary Cole, (Alexander).

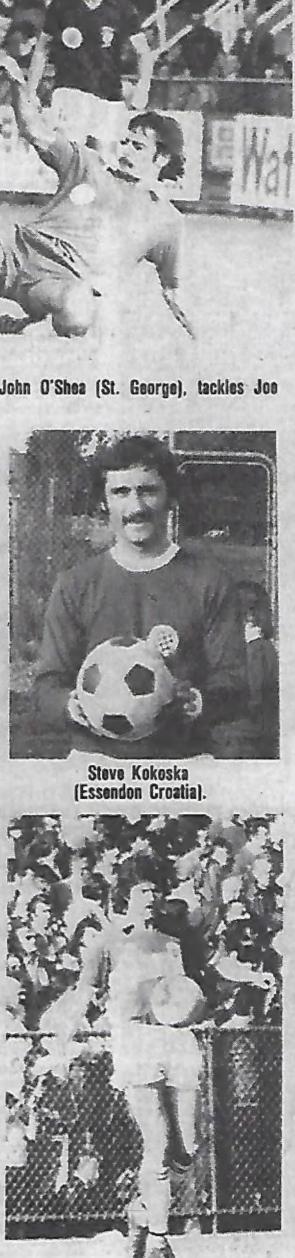
Sydney Cricket Ground, 18th June, 1978: Todd Clarke, (Hakoah), Savro Iozzelli, (Brisbane City), Col Bennett, (Brisbane Lions), Peter Stone, (Western Suburbs), John O'Shea, (St. George), Peter Sharne, (Marconi), Joe Senkalski, (Sydney Olympic), Gary Meier, (Sydney Olympic), Steve Perry, (Brisbane City), Paul Degney, (Marconi), John Karaspyros, (Marrickville Olympic), Phil O'Connor, (St. George), Murray Barnes, (Hakoah), Sebastian Giampoli, (Monaro).



Steve Kokoska  
(Essendon Croatia).



Paul Degney (Marconi)  
— one of the nation's  
best left backs.



## Reach the finals

— 1970, admittedly Greece's best year in international football.

Three times Greece failed to secure promotion to the second round, dropping points to Portugal and Romania.

The early setback in Switzerland with a narrow defeat, they had a strong bearing in their performance against Portugal, appearing "not favorite" in the group.

Playing superb football, they brought about an upset with a tenacious 4-2 win.

A win against Romania in Athens would have taken them further.

Twice they went into the lead, but uncompromising Dimitrakos scored, thus saving a point for the return game.

The decisive result was the one against Portugal away. Leading 2-0 until the last quarter, Greece appeared the winners until their concentration lapsed, for which they received hard punishment from Perez and Eusebio.

Greece then beat Switzerland 4-1 in Salonika, before taking off to Romania for the final game.

Second half substitute Domazos equalised with a long-range shot but his goal proved valueless because the final result placed Greece second after Romania.

Another miserable failure in 1974. In four games against Yugoslavia and Spain, the Greeks could not save a single point, losing all eight of them.

In Athens, Spain demolished Greece 3-2 and repeated their triumph in Spain 3-1.

The Yugoslavs won the home game 1-0 and in Piraeus shocked the world with an unexpected 4-2.

In the 1977 qualifying series Greece's results were: V. Hungary 1-1, 0-3, V. USSR: 0-2, 1-0. Greece finished last in the group.

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## Greeks bring 18

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IOSIFIDIS, Constantin (PAOK) 1954.  
MAVROS, Thomas (AEK) 1954.  
CHRISTIDIS, Nicolaos (AEK) 1944.  
RAVOURIS, Petros (AEK) 1954.  
DAMANAKIS, John (PAOK) 1952.  
ORFANOS, Constantin (PAOK) 1953.  
KARAVITIS, Petros Olympiakos 1952.  
GESIOS, Dimitrios (Iraklis) 1948.  
ZIAKOS, Christos (Apollon) 1955.

KONDGEORGAKIS, Rigani-Eduard (Yannina) 1949.  
PANDELIS, Panagiotis (Apollon) 1957.  
TZOVOGLOU, George (Apollon) 1956.  
XANTHOPOULOS, Charalambos (Iraklis) 1956.  
KOUDAS, George (PAOK) 1946.  
KAKARIS, Zafrios, (Panionios) 1951.  
Officials: DAVID Charalambos Chief of the party;  
SEITANIDES Leonidas member; PANAGOUIAS  
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# Split set for 2nd final

By FRANK PANGALLO

**Dundee United 3 (Williamson, McDougall, Sinclair) d. South Australia 0. Hindmarsh Stadium, crowd 6500.**

**Scoring by Frank Pangallo**  
**Dundee:** Allan 8, (Donaldson 2nd min); MacPhail 7, Schreder 7; McGachie 8, Glennie 8, Phillip 7, McDougall 9, Sinclair 8, Williamson 8, McKinnon 7, (Caldwell half-time 8).  
**South Australia:** Crook 5, Kolecki 2, B. Nyskohous 8, Jones 5, Corlett 5, Perle 5, Kolecki 5 (Northgate 85 min), Boyle 5, Honeyman 5 (Kamlietner 85 min); Nyskohous 8, Kosmina 7.

**An Adelaide Phillips League club may play any overseas teams that visit South Australia in the future.**

This suggestion came amid countless excuses after Scottish First Division side Dundee had humbled a representative State side made up of players from West Adelaide, Huttis and Adelaide City clubs.

It was by far Dundee's best performance on their current tour of Australia and New Zealand... but only because of a paucity within the SA ranks.

In future organisers will have to be prepared to select a side that are keen to perform without the worry of having to play at club level within a matter of days.

There weren't enough players prepared to fight for the ball, perhaps fearing a risk of injury which would keep them out of higher-paid

With 15 minutes to play A.R. Spill went further ahead and put the game completely beyond Keeley's reach. It could be argued Keeley deserved a goal but the base of the A.R. Spill ensured they didn't get it.

In Division 1 R.A.C. had a walk over against Melo Holdings, due to Melo not realising their commitment.

In Division 2 Dicraft beat Siemens A.2-1 who are still above them on goal average. MLADEN MUTIC was the one who did the damage, scoring both Dicraft's goals.

In Division 3 East A.C.I. Box Hill moved back into winning ways after three consecutive League defeats, defeating West Centrainers 2-0. There was no score at the interval but A.C.I. made use of the wind in the second half to score two goals, the first from ROBERT JUNEEZ and the second two minutes from time by MICHAEL PENA.

In Division 3 West there was plenty of goals in the match between K.B.C. United and Quaker L.U.V. K.B.C. romped away to a four goal lead by 0-4. L.U.V. were not dejected and pulled one back to make it 4-2 at half time.

K.B.C. had the better of the second half in the second half of the net on three occasions to Quaker's once. The main marksman of the match was VICTOR PAVLIDIS who scored a hat-trick for K.B.C.

Division 4 East League Leaders, Fibremakers were hard up to beat E.S.C. Tools 1-0 despite having strong mid-field. E.S.C. Tools beat the second division side rearguard action that nearly earned their side a point. Fibremakers merited a four goal lead but were thankful that JOE RICHARDSON scored the one goal that mattered.

Division 4 East League Leaders, Fibremakers had to defend against a 2-0 lead from the break up at half time, they never lost control of the game and inflicted Prognostic's fourth consecutive defeat.

Public Works 'B' didn't expect to have to fight quite so hard to gain the point of Valanana Cabral, but were little to choose between the sides at 1-1 the break an own goal by Valanana finally gave the Workers the spoils.

Taxation United 'B' in Division 4 North collected their first point of the season, this time in the generosity of De La Salle. The action scored their first League goal of the season through RAY RIVIERE, squaring a goal by MIKE GARNER. The Taxation team would have still lost the match if De La Salle hadn't missed with a penalty kick.

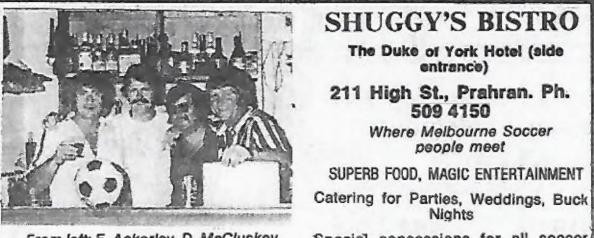
In the match between Thomas Cook and S.C.O.T. most of the goals were scored after the break.

Thomas Cook led 2-1 at half time which eventually gave them the match because the six goals that were scored in the second half were equally shared.

In Division 4 West the match between Pyramid P.B.S. and R.A.A.P. Point Cook had to be postponed because of a water-borne disease. The rescheduled match took place but Golden Fleece still lacked in match fitness faded badly in the second half having restricted Raeford Gaskin, for whom MIKE BROWN scored a hat-trick, to four goals up to the interval.

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# Dundee humbles State team

positions in respective Phillips League clubs.

Perhaps it would be a good idea to have either West Adelaide, Huttis or Adelaide Juveniles represent the State in future... at least one could expect some semblance of teamwork.

It was evident from kick-off that the locals found it difficult to play with any method. Passes were woefully inaccurate, there was no cohesion in attack, midfield and defence and there weren't enough players capable of reading the game.

Dundee overwhelmed the SA defence with their tactics of playing four midfielders and two central strikers, which caused havoc and highlighted the aptly in defence.

It was by far Dundee's best performance on their current tour of Australia and New Zealand... but only because of a paucity within the SA ranks.

In future organisers will have to be prepared to select a side that are keen to perform without the worry of having to play at club level within a matter of days.

There weren't enough players prepared to fight for the ball, perhaps fearing a risk of injury which would keep them out of higher-paid

Dundee, allowed to dictate the terms of midfield, swarmed forward repeatedly in a lop-sided first half and applied tremendous pressure on SA's defence.

Ian McDougall put the tourists 2-0 up after 10 minutes with a remorseless header which slipped beneath Crook's body.

Williamson was unlucky not to have gone into the rooms at half time with a hat trick of goals next to his name.

In the 34th minute he fiercely drove against the cross-bar and 30 seconds later he racketed the upright with Crook well beaten on both occasions.

Two minutes after, Sinclair pulled his shirt, agitating frustration as he hit the header cannon off the bar.

The half belonged to Dundee as McDougall, Ian Phillips, Dave McKinnon, John Bradley and George McGachie sliced through SA's brittle midfield and defence almost at will.

John Perlin, Henry Kolecki and Graham Honeyman lacked understanding between themselves and were mainly supported by attackers or defenders.

SA's only chance—if you could call it that—was a drive

from Graham Honeyman which Dundee keeper Tom Allan did well to palm away for a corner (one of three or four SA took for the night).

SA

managed to improve

their effort in the second half, but couldn't sustain it and ended badly in front of goal.

Sinclair completed the rout

in the 65th minute when he

sprinted past the slow Con

Kampas, collected the ball

and side-stepped Crook

before casually walking the ball into the net.

The relative ease of

SA's goal was an embar-

rassing sight to spectators

who had expected a much

better showing from the

Sunday afternoon Phillips

League heroes.

Unlike other States, SA

players have only widened

that gap in standard between

pros and part-timers.

The only players who could

walk with their head high after

the game were full-back

Bugsy Nyskohous, his brother

Johnny and John Kosmina.

Outright failures were

Perlin, Kolecki (arguably two

of the most skillful players in

SA), Boyle, who ruined his

chances by trying to do too

much on his own, and

Kampas.

from Zika Nikolic

**DENVER (U.S.) — My short stopovers in United States gave me an excellent chance to find out how strong American soccer really is.**

On Saturday May 27, a game of the National Conference League was scheduled to be played in Denver. Considering the locals Colorado Caribous and Aztecs from Los Angeles.

Well, this was my chance, so I flew from Los Angeles to this lovely city in the famous state of canyons and rivers.

Both teams are heavily dependent on imported players. Only the goalkeepers are American. They talk of the natural ability of the local players, but I don't believe it. Both were outstanding. — Rigby for Caribous.

The standard of play was abu-

lous. The local team had the upper

hand in the first half. They were un-

lucky to score only one goal through South African referee Tembo Sene, but the same could be said for the Caribous. They were lucky to manage to equalise in the 65th minute. Scorer was Canadian McGreag.

George Best was at his best for Aztecs, but was also ably assisted by ex-Red Star player Branko Radovic. In the 89th minute Radovic pulled Best's shirt in desperation to stop him. Best retaliated by pulling Radovic's shirt, and was on the ground, knocked down by a hard punch to the face. The referee produced two red cards.

Before that incident the referee had produced two red cards on four occasions, including one involving Aztecs coach and manager Terry Fisher.

Because every game in the United States has a referee, there have to be a referee ordered extra time (2x10 minutes or until one team scored the winning goal.) If extra time finished in a draw, shoot-outs decided the winner.

In this game, Aztecs substitute Rudy Hare scored the winning goal in the 9th minute of extra-time. Aztecs won six points — four for the win and two for the goal.

It is nothing new happening in the U.S., but not everywhere. Chicago and Toronto in Canada are disappointing, also Los Angeles is not doing well, despite Jose Diaz not doing well, despite over 300,000 registered Juniors in California. But small town San Jose near San Francisco always has capacity crowds.

On the east coast and richest club in the U.S. but not invincible. They have lost two games.

In the most popular sport in the world, the U.S. was a primitive country, but it can be described as a developing country because of the importation of foreign stars like Pele and Franz Beckenbauer into the burgeoning North American Soccer League.

But there remains a large gap. They believe it will be closed by 1990, when the U.S. hopes to hold the World Cup Series. By that time, American expects the U.S. to be a candidate for the title.

Paleo, who is one of the soccer stars from the U.S. who is playing for the Cosmos from 1975-77, said he was impressed with the American team's play. "But they need more experience, more playing in foreign lands. It's much different playing away than at home."

"Most Americans are full backs and goalies," he continued. "Their defence is solid, and they play aggressive football, but the problem is getting goals."

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# A WEEK OF UPSETS!

Hakoah's first win thanks to Micic

## Croatia upset by Luyten and Coulson

### RINGWOOD 1 (Thom) v CROATIA 0

RINGWOOD: Wilding, Adams, Carnaby, Gethwaite, Verniers, Schott (Pasman half time), Coulson, O'Callaghan, Plum, Luyten, Thom.

CROATIA: Franic, Smart, Gardner, Kokoska, Bilaver, Andrews, Kerr, Murphy, Cullen, Glider (Vitek 85th min.), Cummings.

The next round of State League matches, which will not be played until the June 17-18 weekend because of Greece v Australia XI game in Melbourne this Sunday, has two games that will have a big bearing on the relegation and championship issues.

League leader Croatia clashes with Frankston, which is two points adrift in second place. Frankston, which has third place championship wide open, will Croatia come in on top, which it must be expected to do, then the Essendon club will re-assess its tight grip on top place.

At the other end of the ladder, bottom-placed Ringwood has the chance to lift itself from the cellar at the expense of Altona, which is only one point ahead of the eastern suburbs club. The match between the two will be a real battle, with both sides knowing that defeat would cast doubt over its future in the State League.

Ringwood's victory over the unsettled Croatia was fully deserved. Fredy Bunce's men adapted better to the glue-pot conditions, which hindered Croatia's attacking style.

Croatia was lack-lustre, a condition that could be blamed on the upheavals within the club during the past weeks. Reports suggest that players are divided into two camps, with the presence of former coach John Gardner adding to the unrest.

However, the credit for victory should be taken from Ringwood, which played more directly and wanted to win more than Croatia, which

A last minute positional move by Bunce saw centre half John Luyten line up as a central striker. Luyten, who loves the mud, gave 100% effort and his constant harassing of defenders upset Croatia's rhythm. Croatia likes to play the ball through the back, with Gardner playing the loose man and sprung balls around. However, the mud and pressure from Ringwood players prevented this.

Will Coulson was the driving force behind Ringwood. He opened up the game for Ringwood with his pass to Thom and then a brilliant shot. John O'Callaghan, however, missed and playing a cross forward was one of the year, showed his true value and was particularly dangerous when coming forward from the middle to strike at goal.

Tommy Cummings tried to get his side moving, but often he held the ball too long, or in the middle which got bogged down in the mud.

Pralski had to go young. Ringwood forward Ross Taylor, who had plugged away at Cummings, even though he was beaten several times.

Ringwood played to the flanks and it was from the right wing that Coulson's curling cross set up the team's winner. He spotted Brian Thom at the far post and the ball from the Mooroolbark forward rose and nodded the ball into the net. The task made easier by the heatlessness of goalkeeper Miro Franic and centre back Steve Kokoska.

Both teams had chances to score earlier in the game, but it was Ringwood's killer blow three minutes from the end that did the trick.

The Hakoah performance was 100% better than that of the previous effort against Ringwood. The side had balance and consistency, but more noticeable was the spirit and teamwork of the players. The defence was a solid unit, and the attack, which the midfield worked as a unit, whereas in previous weeks it had been up to individuals to make the play.

Frankston, after coming back from early indifference, fought back and had the chance to get a draw. However, once again it was lack of a goal-scoring forward that hindered the club.

Croatia defenders Alex Tulloch and Ged Bannon started many Frankston forward moves. Tulloch with his ball skills and accurate distribution, and Bannon with his aggression.

Goalkeeper Bobby Adams hardly let a ball get past him all day, and right back Vince Bannon added width to the attack, as well as defending strongly.

In the end, the most most entertaining game in the State League this season, although at times Frankston's passing was not up to scratch. However, the game was played at a brisk pace and especially in the first half the play and end to end was, both keepers called on to deal with difficult shots.

The Hakoah players had more confidence than in past weeks and this was a lot of attractive one-touch soccer.

Frankston's best when the team broke quickly and used the ball, but the Baysiders also played passages of skillful soccer.

Stewart Blair tested Frankston keeper Frank Petersen with a difficult shot early in the Kellie Action, but a save at full length from Billy Whitehead was the other end.

Mike Clarey set up full back Chris Vell for a shot but the ball went across the face of goal.

Hakoah went into the lead from the penalty spot when Craig cornered the ball, and the ball had handballed on the line. Bannon had no alternative, as Clarey's header from six yards after a corner was bound for the back of the net.

Hakoah was on top in the first 20 minutes, but Frankston came back strongly and was rewarded when Fredy Bunce got a strike or struggle for the rest of the season.

Altona created many chances against Sunshine, but lack of finishing power cost the team a point, which on general play it

deserved.

Ray Pocock opened his goals account for the State League season with a pair, and with the two teams above Sunshine — Croatia and Frankston — losing, Pocock's two goals were valuable. Sunshine is now poised to challenge the leaders.

Altona coach John Wilson raised the point that Sunshine is now in a spot of trouble in the relegation zone.

"Things are getting desperate now," he said, "and we need a goalscorer badly."

"We had 70% of the play, but scored only one of nine clear cut chances. Sunshine on the other hand, had only four good chances, but scored two."

Sunshine went into the lead in the first half when David Cullen gave the ball to Pocock in space in the area, and the centre forward carried the ball before driving home past the on-rushing Dennis McCallum.

Altona bounced back and within two minutes grabbed the equaliser when Alan Davidson nodded home from a corner.

Later Nat Little failed to convert a penalty when he side-stepped instead of blasting it. Then Rob Grammeren came close with a header.

However, Sunshine grabbed the winner on the break in the second half when Pocock hit a left foot shot into the net. Altona had had possession of the ball but an error gave a throw in to Sunshine, which was an advantage.

Ray Brown performed well in the midfield for Altona, while Keith Ackers and Bill Taylor also did well.

For Sunshine, Mike Lewis was a tower of strength in defence and Rob Nelson was busy in the middle of the park. Of course Pocock must be given praise, especially since he scored his goals with his left foot. Pocock is often ribbed

for his lack of finishing, but he has improved and is a valuable asset to Sunshine.

Frankston took the initiative and scored the first goal. Owen saved his team when he cleared a Tulloch shot off the line, and Ged Bannon was unlucky that his drive from 20 yards hit Eddie instead of the target.

However, Hakoah rode the storm and held on to gain its first

Victorian State League with KYLE PATTERSON



## Makedonia trounces Juventus

PRESTON MAKEDONIA 4 (McMillan 2, Bernard, Petrovski). JUVENTUS 0.

MAKEDONIA: Laumets, Petrovski, Hooper, Brewerton, Beech, Blashevski, McClymont, Gehman (Fawkes 68 min.), Sавески, Bernard, McMillan.

JUVENTUS: Graham, Pfisterer, Walker, Symington, Savadini, Sabadus, Smith, Lucchesi, Watkins, Armstrong, Holtson (Curle 60th min.).

for it was the better team," added McLellan. "But it seemed that even when the other side touched turned to gold."

Makedonia won the game in midfield where Dragon Blashevski, Billy McClymont and Chris Glenrose dominated. The Juve trio of Charlie Smith, Bruno Sabadus and Claude Lucchesi.

Makedonia caused one of the shocks of the round when it trounced Juventus 4-0.

The Juve loss came as a mild surprise but it's been at least two seasons since the Italian club has conceded four goals in a game.

The victory completed the Makedonia double which started with the Leblishi took the caretaker-coach after Bill Dumbrell's departure. With Leblishi at the helm, Makedonia has gone four games without defeat, collecting seven of a possible eight points.

One of the main reasons for Makedonia's comeback has been the return of John Bernard. The powerful midfield-forward has injected an explosive touch to the team's game and is playing consistently well.

Against Juve he did as he pleased and scored his first goal with a header like shot from a free kick that looks a deflection, and set up another goal with a good run down the flank followed by a cross.

Juve coach Bobby McLachlan made no excuses, saying: "I was one of those d\*lls."

"Preston must be given credit."

GEORGE CROSS 0 v GREEN GULLY 5. (Segi 15th, 77th, Carr 16th, Perkin 47th, Mifsud og 83rd).

GEORGE CROSS: Rice, McConville, Barron, Mifsud, Maitland, Wilkinson, Cullen, Murphy, Reed, Webb, Walker, Gribble, Lyle, Donaldson, Daniels, Cain, Klein, McCarthy, Daniels, L. Thompson, Segi, Perkin, Carr. Referee: David Yelland.

GREEN GULLY: Murphy, Daniels, Segi (Gully), Cain (Gully), Leading votegetters: 1. Whiteside (Hak), 2. Williams (Hak), 3. Williams (Slavia), Coulson (Ring), 4. Cummings (Cros), Denys (Gully), Sabisus (Juve), Walker (Juve), Daniels (Slavia), 5. Taylor (Alt), Kokoska (Cros), irvine (Franks), Adams (Franks), Mifsud (Geo), Yzendoorn (Slavia), 5. Kerr (Cros), Krnacevic (Cros), McConville (Geo), McCarthy (Gully), Daniels (Geo), Cullen (Ring), 7. Cummings (Cros), Denys (Gully), Sabisus (Juve), Walker (Juve), Daniels (Slavia), 8. Taylor (Alt), Kokoska (Cros), irvine (Franks), Adams (Franks), Mifsud (Geo), Yzendoorn (Slavia), 9. Kerr (Cros), Krnacevic (Cros), McConville (Geo), McCarthy (Gully), Daniels (Geo), Cullen (Ring), 10. Daniels (Geo), 11. Daniels (Geo), 12. Williams (Slavia), Coulson (Ring), 13. Daniels (Geo), 14. Daniels (Geo), 15. Daniels (Geo), 16. Daniels (Geo), 17. Daniels (Geo), 18. Daniels (Geo), 19. Daniels (Geo), 20. Daniels (Geo), 21. Daniels (Geo), 22. Daniels (Geo), 23. 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## ZIKA NIKOLIC

Vrhost put, ako se još secate, pisali smo prilicno nemilosrdno o konfuzi i neispolinosti u "plavim".

Posebne izgubljene utakmice, kola je u raspolaganju ruku morala da se zavrsi sa obrnutim rezultatom, nile nikakvo cudo, pogotovo kad se između u obzir sa kakvom klesom raspolaze J.U.S.T.

Mozda nasa usudu nije bila potpuno opravdana, ali jedno je tacno: Nesto skripi u masneriji "plavih". Negde se zupcan je ukuplja. Deluje se u masina.

U korist nash zapazanja sa autilne ide nasa napomena u posrom broju "Soccer Action" da je Lujic bio dinamo svih J.U.S.T.-ovih akcija.

Mi, naravno, ni sa tretatul, ne uveravamo da je Ceda Crkovic prose subote, protiv Brisbane City-a, napravio izmenu u "plavim" timu pod nasim uticajem. Vise je verovatno da su nasa i njegova zapazanja slajcavu podudarile. Ali Lujic na centru pretvorio je petoricu solista u harmonizirani kvintet i za nekako.

Nekako je u tomu tretatu "plave" u vodjstvu nekako ostala rupa u odranici. Tek sada se mogelo nedorastati Kriatova.

Rujevic je konstrukтивan igrač i liskevan realizator. Ali ni on nije "perpetuum mobile". Sa Lijemic kraj sebe, njih dvojica mogu sa pola energije da postignu duotvorstvo rezultata.

Palinkas, Plicano i Ristovski moraju da se zadovolje ulogom venzinih igrača dok ne nauče da snaga kladne valja, ali um postize golove.

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Sa utakmice Carlton/Srbija — Central Altona 1:1 (1:0) dobili smo dva drijemaljno opremljena izvestaja. Kako ova izvestaja poticu iz vodstva klubova, ostavicom ih za sada bez komentara jer osećamo da ni jedan ni drugi na korisno posuzili uleglo nogometnog sporta, a los manje prestizu nash klubova.

Oba se izvestaja, međutim, slazu u temu da su odgovorne sportske i uniformisane vlasti umnogome doprinele nepravde.

Sudija je bio slab i nije mogao da kontrolise igru, sto je omogućilo nekoliko ispadu. Uec u 3. minuti sudija je islijudio iz igre ceterkovac Central Altona, Sarovskog, za neodgovore poveke i svadju sa sudjom.

Pa i pored takvih drastičnih odluka, igra je bila gruba i privjaka. To je pak izazvalo reakciju publike u nerede na bellini linija.

Iz jednog izvora saznamjeno da su policijski izdvojili makedonske navljevice na jednu, a navijace Srbije na drugu stranu igralista.

Po jednoj verziji Central Altona je postigla izjednacujući gol u zadnjem minuti igre, dok po drugoj Altona je postigla svoj gol u 98. minuti, tj. osam minuta posle igre.

U ovom trenutku, umesto blago kakovog komentara, koji bi bio dobar za sve, mogao je biti utakmica i ne znamo istinu, predizlazimo da se setimo sličju Croatia i Aleksandru iz Melburna i Avale iz Srbije.

U interesu naseg zajedničkog prestiza bolje bi bilo da zaboravimo taj neprljatan slučaj i da se uzmemo upamet.

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Juniori:  
Ispod 14 godina:  
JUST — Helas 2 (102)

Streliči Niki Cvetovski i Sasa Stojac.

Najbolji u JUST-u: Tomislav Karic, Niki Cvetovski, Jorgo Gagic i Stojice Dimovski.

Ispod 16 godina:  
JUST — Box City 6:1 (3:0)

Streliči: Robert Glavan 2, Robert Erdeg 2 i Zoran Kirnic 2.

Najbolji: Ljubo Tavčevski, Mendo Koteski, Zoran Trpevski i Tabor Haghams.

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Zika Nikolic je, kako se vremi prilikom po visoko nestrucnim izvestajima u ovoj rubrici, u Argentini gde je gledao utakmice na bojištu na svetu i sajlu izvestaja svom matičnom listu "Novosti".

U iducem broju "Soccer Action" prenecemo van nekoliko njegovih zapazanja sa svetskog prvenstva u Argentini.

Ova rubrika bice mnogo zanimljivija.

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## Abonyi's men set for title

Sydney Croatia are well on their way to winning the NSW Rothmans State League premiership for the second year in succession.

Croatia have knocked over Inter Melbourne and are now matches to skip to a six-point lead in the race for the League title.

Monro could still be Croatia's strongest challenger.

Lowly Monro had their game washed out against lowly placed Avila in Sydney last weekend and now have three games in hand.

Croatia didn't have things all their own way against Apla at the Sports Ground and had to rely on an own goal by former Soccerco Attili to get them home 1-0.

Maurice Sullivan placed the corner kick in the goal mouth and after a melee Abonyi pounced on the ball and his shot gave the goalkeeper no chance.

For APIA and coach Mike Johnson it was a bitter blow as the Leichhardt team had been the better

## NSW State League with JOHN TAYLOR

side and had come within an ace of scoring on several occasions.

Abonyi was quiet for most of the match, however he made a great opportunity in the 81st minute when he shot straight to the keeper.

Eric Carruthers, who replaced Bob Fryer in the 55th minute, netted for APIA in the 70th minute but was ruled off-side.

For the first quarter of an hour neither side was impressive and then the match suddenly came to life.

In the 18th minute APIA's Billy Grimes hit the corner of the right, one minute later Mark Pullen hit the upright and in the 21st minute John Doyle shot wide in front of an open goal.

In the 22nd minute Marian Kovacic had a great opportunity for Croatia but his shot went over the bar and at the other end APIA's keeper Dave McQuire made a

brilliant save from a shot by John

Throughout the match the Croatia defence looked suspect and only poor finishing cost APIA at least one point.

APIA had the better of play in midfield where Ken Lindsay, Norrie Porter (until replaced in the 85th minute) and Mark Pullen had outstanding games. Paul Muller and John Russell were best for Croatia.

An over-confident and lackadaisical Melita made hard work of defeating lowly Arncliffe 2-1 at Hurstville Oval.

For the first 15 minutes Melita sauntered through the Arncliffe defence at an creating chance but not a goal, but after a bad luck and poor finishing kept the ball out of the net.

After 18 minutes Melita's luck changed. Ian McGovern hit the ball across from the wing and Arncliffe keeper, Bruce Cuneo, left it alone to see the ball creep into the top of the net by the near post.

Lowly's boost failed to inspire Melita and their play continued to lack any intent. With that attack they seemed intent on walking the ball into the net.

Arncliffe might well have equalised before the interval had they taken their chances, but only six goals from 12 attempts is an indication of their lack of forward power.

The second half was a more even struggle but the basic pattern was unchanged.

Arncliffe United moved closer towards the South Australian State League championship with a crushing 4-1 win over Lion Leederville.

Arncliffe mastered the slippery conditions and piled on three goals in a lively second half.

As has been the case in the past five weeks, Arncliffe had to do it the hard way and come from

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beautiful run down the middle before slipping the ball to Daley who made no mistake, putting the ball past the advancing keeper.

Yugac's goal secured the 40th minute when Bankstown defender Dave Morrison brought down Yugac front runner Ron Delaney just inside the penalty area.

Delaney had no hesitation awarding a penalty.

Peter Cott took the spot kick which was magnificently saved by Terry Greedy.

The second half was only two minutes old when Delaney levelled the score.

He received a pass from the left from Dragan Turac and nodded it into the right corner of the goal.

The game became fast and furious with Bankstown throwing everything in to almost hit the lead with 10 minutes to go when Williams and David Paisley, both missed a single drive past keeper Chris Cassaroli.

The goal was a just reward as Katholos had figured in both Arncliffe's earlier goals.

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Brian Parker scored Melita's second goal from a scramble on the goal line with five minutes remaining.

Arncliffe's team struggled for the competition lead their display was far from convincing.

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Merrickville Olympic scored an easy 4-0 win over Manly and lacklustre Manly at Cromer Park.

Merrickville, with the wind at their backs, raced to an early lead with 10 minutes in the 5th minute by Peter Valente and Ross Brown in the 8th minute.

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Merrickville scored again in the 67th minute when Mackie Nezaričiški easily converted a penalty after Manly defender Brian Smith was sent off.

Merrickville lost their keeper Ali El Zehn who was carried to the dressing room by stretcher after a collision with several players in the goal area, but it had no effect on the final result.

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Yugac beat Bankstown 2-1 after trailing 0-1 at half time at the soccer centre.

Bankstown opened the scoring in the 21st minute when Dennis Daley scored after Neal Williams had won a loose ball in the middle.

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beautiful run down the middle before slipping the ball to Daley who made no mistake, putting the ball past the advancing keeper.

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# Philips League Club Directory

## ADELAIDE CITY

G.P.O. BOX 1262L, ADELAIDE, 5001

SECRETARY: Carmine Picorello (08) 337 0241

COACH: Les Sheinflug.

GROUND: Olympic Sports Field, Kensington.  
(08) 31 1844

COLOURS: Black & White

This week's match: v. FOOTSCRAY at Schintler Reserve (Melbourne) Saturday 3 pm.



## BRISBANE CITY

P.O. Box 265 Broadway, Brisbane 4001

Club Phone 356 8834

SECRETARY: G. Canale bus (07) 52 4711

COACH: D. Ford.

GROUND: Perry Park, Abbotsford Rd, Mayne.

SPONSOR: Alitalia Airlines

This week's match: v. FITZROY UNITED at Perry Park (Brisbane) Sunday 1 pm.

PHILIPS CUP: v. ST GEORGE at Perry Park (Brisbane) Wednesday 8 pm.



## EASTERN SUBURBS HAKOAH

61 HALL ST., BONDI, N.S.W.

SECRETARY: H. K. Lakhmankar, 30 3344 (mornings)

663 4576 (afternoons)

COACH: Gerry Chaldi

GROUND: Wentworth Park, Glebe, N.S.W. Phone (02) 660 7431

SPONSOR: Presto Smallgoods

This week's match: v. NEWCASTLE KB UNITED at Wentworth Park (Sydney) Sunday 1 pm.



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COACH: J. Margaritis.

GROUND: Olympic Park, Swan St., Melbourne.  
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COLOURS: Black & Gold

SPONSOR: Goldair Travel

This week's match: v. BRISBANE CITY at Perry Park (Brisbane) Sunday 3 pm.



## NEWCASTLE KB UNITED

4 NORTHWOOD ST., ADAMSTOWN HEIGHTS, N.S.W., 2289

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COACH: A. Vest

GROUND: International Sports Centre, Turton Rd., New Lambton. Ph (049) 52 1224

SPONSOR: Tooth & Co., Brewers of KB Beer

This week's match: v. EASTERN SUBURBS HAKOAH at Wentworth Park (Sydney) Sunday 1 pm.



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General Manager: Mike Whitewood.  
(Bus.) 94 5048, 94 5462 (After Hours)  
309 4079

MANAGER/COACH: D. McLaren

GROUND: Middle Park, Aughtie Drive,  
Middle Park.

COLOURS: Blue and white.

This week's match: v. ST. GEORGE at Middle Park (Melbourne) Saturday 3 pm.



## WEST ADELAIDE

G.P.O. BOX 1130, ADELAIDE S.A., 5001

SECRETARY: D. A. Carapetis, Bus. (08) 227 4311

COACH: J. Adam

GROUND: Hindmarsh Stadium, Manton St., Hindmarsh

This week's match: v. CANBERRA CITY at Hindmarsh Stadium (Adelaide) Sunday 2.30 pm.



## BRISBANE LIONS

15 DELPHINUS ST., INALA, QLD, 4077

SECRETARY: Simon Boehm, (07) 372 2891

COACH: G. Vincze

GROUND: Perry Park, Abbotsford Rd., Mayne.  
(07) 52 5328

COLOURS: All Orange with Blue stripe



This week's match: v. MARCONI at Marconi Oval (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.

## CANBERRA CITY

P.O. Box 910, Canberra Cty 2600

SECRETARY: David Dillon 48 8917 (W)

54 1787 (L)

COACH: J. Warren.

GROUND: National Athletic Stadium, Bruce.

SPONSOR: BRIAN POLLOCK



This week's match: v. WEST ADELAIDE at Hindmarsh Stadium (Adelaide) Sunday 2.30 pm.

## FOOTSCRAY

P.O. BOX 122, ST KILDA SOUTH, 3182

SECRETARY: H. Iser bus (03) 391 3231

COACH: C. Cirkovic

GROUND: Olympic Park on Schintler Reserve

SPONSOR: JAT



This week's match: v. ADELAIDE CITY at Schintler Reserve (Melbourne) Saturday 3 pm.

## MARCONI

MARCONI ROAD, BOSSLEY PARK, N.S.W. 2176

SECRETARY: V. Morizzi, Bus. (02) 72 2433

COACH: R. Rasic

GROUND: Marconi Oval, Marconi Rd., Bossley Park

SPONSOR: Rosso Antico



This week's match: v. BRISBANE LIONS at Marconi Oval (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.

## ST. GEORGE

84 VICTORIAN AVENUE, MORTDALE, N.S.W.

SECRETARY: S. Boqnar, Bus. (02) 630 2744

COACH: J. Vlasits.

GROUND: Barton Park, Rockdale

COLOURS: White, Red & Green



This week's match: v. SOUTH MELBOURNE at Middle Park (Melbourne) Saturday 3 pm.

PHILIPS CUP: v. BRISBANE CITY at Perry Park (Brisbane) Wednesday 8 pm.

## SYDNEY OLYMPIC

BOX A181 SYDNEY SOUTH, N.S.W., 2000

SECRETARY: N. Smilas, Bus. (02) 72 0661

COACH: G. Gibson

GROUND: Erskineville Oval, Mitchell Rd., Erskineville

SPONSOR: Patra Fruit Juices



This week's match: v. WESTERN SUBURBS at Wentworth Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.

## WEST ADELAIDE

G.P.O. BOX 1130, ADELAIDE S.A., 5001

SECRETARY: D. A. Carapetis, Bus. (08) 227 4311

COACH: J. Adam

GROUND: Hindmarsh Stadium, Manton St., Hindmarsh

This week's match: v. CANBERRA CITY at Hindmarsh Stadium (Adelaide) Sunday 2.30 pm.



## WESTERN SUBURBS

4 WILLIAM ST., FIVE DOCK, N.S.W., 2046

SECRETARY: G. Stratford, Bus. (02) 713 8672

COACH: M. Laing

GROUND: Englefield Stadium, Jenner Rd., Dural

COLOURS: Black & White



This week's match: v. SYDNEY OLYMPIC at Wentworth Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.